AMENDMENTS IN THE CLAIMS:

- 1. (Currently Amended) Safety A safety locking mechanism-(1) for a receptacle-(4) in a vehicle, the receptacle-(4) being movable back and forth between an opened and a closed position, and the safety locking mechanism-(1) comprising a mass-(11), which is movably guided by a guide means-(15, 16) from a basic position into a deflected position, wherein the mass-(11) holds the receptacle-(4) closed when the mass-(11) is moved into the deflected position, and having a device-(12) which holds the mass-(11) in the basic position when no acceleration or deceleration acts in the deflection direction on the mass-(11), characterised in that wherein the safety locking mechanism (1) comprises an engaging device-(12), which holds the mass-(11) in the deflected position, and a restoring device-(13), effective by applying an overpressure to the receptacle-(4), which directs the mass-(11) into the basic position.
- 2. (Currently Amended) Safety A safety locking mechanism according to claim 1, characterised in that wherein a damping element (23) acts against the application of an overpressure to the receptacle (4).
- 3. (Currently Amended) Safety A safety locking mechanism according to claim 2, characterised in that wherein the characteristic of the damping element (23) is such that as speed increases a superproportionate damping force occurs.
- 4. (Currently Amended) Safety A safety locking mechanism according to claim 1, eharacterised in that wherein the mass-(11) is deflectable in two opposing directions, is held in each deflected position by the engaging device-(12), holds the receptacle-(4) closed in each deflected position and is directed by the restoring device-(13) into the basic position when an overpressure is applied to the receptacle-(4).

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5. (Currently Amended) Safety A safety locking mechanism according to claim 1, characterised in that wherein the safety locking mechanism (1) comprises a second restoring device (14) effective by movement of the receptacle (4) from the open into the closed position.